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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT AMERICAN LEGION & AUXILIARY

The featured volunteer spotlight for June 2022 are our volunteers from the Wisconsin American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary.

Wisconsin's American Legion Auxiliary has 12 Districts. Within the Districts there are 374 Units. Of the entire membership within these Districts, anyone can volunteer at King. To join The American Legion Auxiliary you simply must be a relative of a veteran. King Unit #161 holds monthly meetings to plan various activities. Funds are raised by having cookouts during the summer months, the distribution of poppies throughout the year, and other activities the Units decide to schedule.

The American Legion and its Auxiliary have been part of our Wisconsin Veterans Home at King for over 50 years - along with other veterans' organizations, other organizations, and supportive groups. Our heartfelt gratitude for the volunteers from all our groups who make King a wonderful place for our members!

Pictured Above: On April 28, 2022, Dawn Lind, Manager of the King's Veterans Cafe, accepted a generous donation of \$10,000 from Nancy Neuroth, Hospital Representative for the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Wisconsin. The donation will be used to provide free food specials for members who live at the Wisconsin Veterans Home-King. Thank you for your generosity!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Please join us in welcoming our new members at King:

Robert J. Wieland, a Vietnam War Army Veteran joined us on April 21, 2022 from Ankeny Iowa. He is living at Olson Hall.

Richard J. Buskov, a Vietnam War Army Veteran joined us on May 4, 2022 from Madison. He is living at Olson Hall.

Kathleen J. Ligenza, a Vietnam War Navy Veteran joined us on May 6, 2022 from Stevens Point. She is living at Ainsworth Hall.

Harold E. Zellmer, a Korean War Air Force Veteran joined us on May 11, 2022 from Crandon. He is living at Olson Hall.

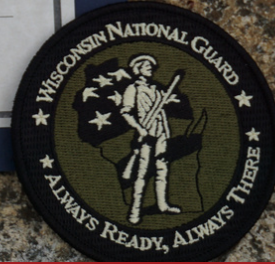
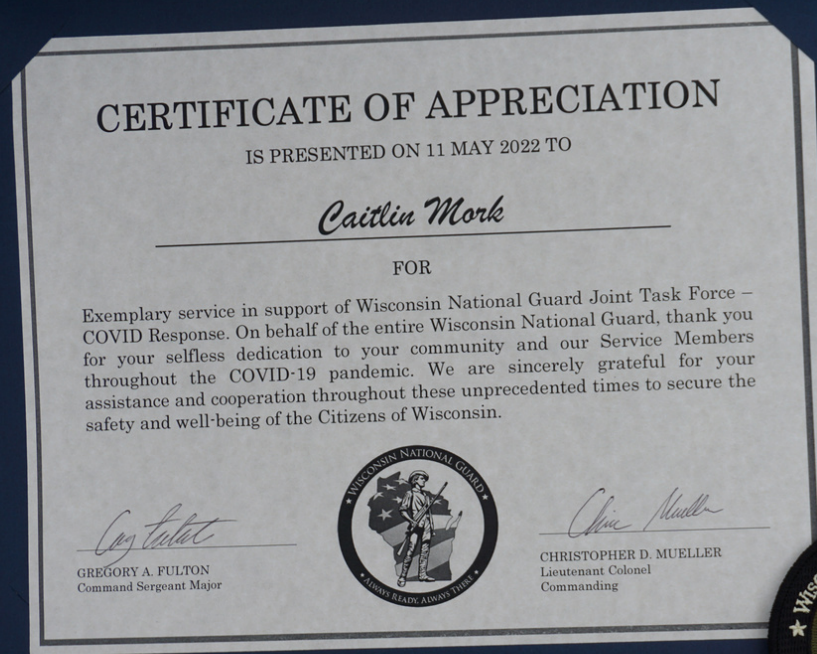
Donald E. Wasrud, a Korean War Navy Veteran joined us on May 19, 2022 from Iola. He is living at Ainsworth Hall.

THANK YOU WISCONSIN NATIONAL GUARD MEMBERS!

Commandant Tammy Servatius, administration, employees, and King members attended a special thank you event by the gazebo at King in May to show their gratitude and appreciation for members of the Wisconsin National Guard, Joint Task Force - COVID Response, for their assistance during the pandemic. We have been very grateful to have their support and assistance these last several months.



MORE NATIONAL GUARD PHOTOS



< We want to thank the Wisconsin National Guard for awarding a special National Guard patch to members Jerry Berger and John Shirk of Ainsworth Hall. (Pictured Left)

The patch was awarded to each member to show appreciation for the positive Impression that was made to the National Guard members while they assisted the our Home's staff during their Ainsworth Hall mission for the last few months. Thank you for your service!





CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

TWO GOATS AND A LESSON ON HUMILITY

By Chaplain Ben Schroeder - Lutheran Chaplain at King

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others (Philippians 2:3-4/NIV).

Recently, I read about an avid hiker who was on an excursion in Europe. He was walking on a mountain trail. In the distance he saw two mountain goats moving toward each other from opposite directions on a narrow pathway. One was going up the trail, and the other was coming down. As they approached one another, the observer wrote, they backed up and lowered their heads. The hiker was expecting each goat to lunge at the other, lock horns and fight. But then a surprising thing happened. The goat that was ascending the narrow path laid down on the ground. Then the goat moving down the trail carefully stepped over him. Finally, the one that was lying down arose and continued along his way. What an object lesson...FROM GOATS...on humility!

As new creatures in Christ, God calls us to lower ourselves to lift others up. Our humble Servant-Savior laid down His life for us on the Cross. In doing so He saved us from our sins and raised us up to new life. In the power of Jesus, we can and will pursue a lifestyle of humble service that uplifts others. In doing so we glorify God, reflect His humility, and experience His joy. What a privilege it is to be His servants!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May Birthdays!

AINSWORTH HALL

James Holeman
June Stecker
Kurtis Kading
Gary Dougherty
Ned Hughes
Gene Haase
David Winslow

OLSON HALL

George Connor
Philip Vaughn
David Johnson
Harold Zellmer
Larry Stiebs
Roger Knapp
Melfred Wethal
David Christie
James Augustyn
William Kaczmaryn
James Seibert
Marilyn Feldmann
Donald Alley
Thomas Krueger

MAC ARTHUR HALL

William Keene
Ken O'Malley

AINSWORTH HALL



Ainsworth members enjoyed Cinco de Mayo with tacos, hats, and margaritas.



MACARTHUR HALL

MAY ACTIVITIES: KENTUCKY DERBY WINNERS, MOTHER'S DAY, PIZZA SPONSORED BY DAV AND DAVA, NEW ZOO TRIP, & MORE!



OLSON HALL



What a month May was! Olson Hall members got to do some virtual reality travel and see different places. They also had fun celebrating Star Wars Day on “May the 4th be with you,” Cinco De Mayo, and Mother’s Day. Now that the weather is getting nicer, our members are ending the month planting their gardens. We can’t wait to see all their beautiful flowers and enjoy all their fresh grown vegetables!

IN MEMORIAM

IN LOVING MEMORY

*With honor,
with gratitude,
with love
Our friends
who passed
recently*

Robert Knutson
Raymond Reynolds
LeRoy Kempf
Marilyn Heleniak

John Czakowski
Gary Dodge
Frank Rothermel
Robert Watkins



Donation from VFW Post #388

Thank you for the
generous monetary and
KX items donated on
Tuesday, May 10, from
the members of VFW
Burns Post #388 in
Wausau.

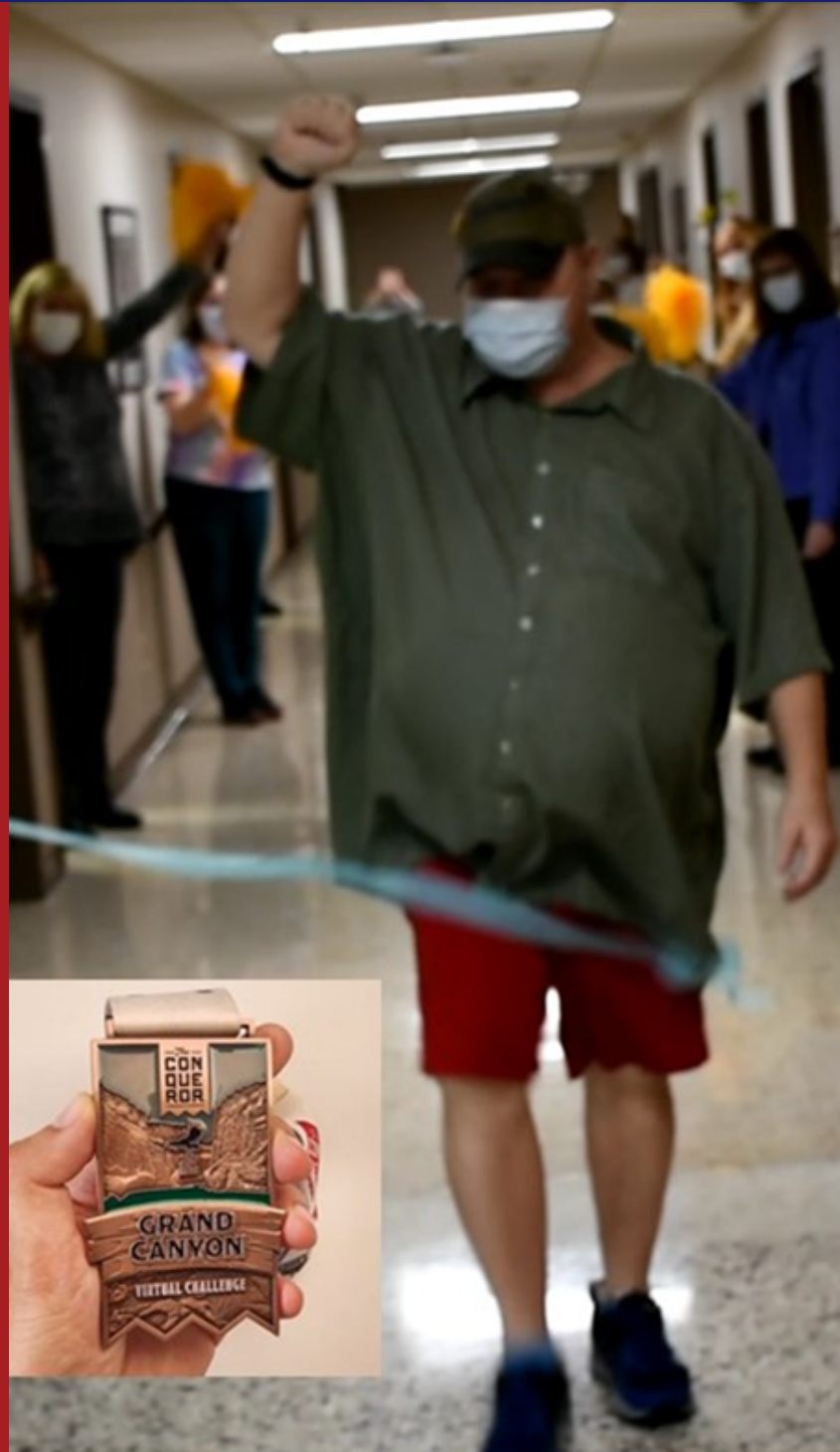
GRAND CANYON WALK

King member, Larry Cavanaugh, began the "Conquerors Challenge" to walk the Grand Canyon Virtually on February 4. Larry completed the virtual challenge on May 4, 2022, walking 280 miles.

Every time Larry met a milestone, which was at each time he achieved 20 percent of his journey, a tree would be planted for him. By the end of his walking journey, he planted five trees.

Larry used a Fitbit watch to track all of his walking that uploaded his progress to the official Conquerors Challenge app to see where he was along the Grand Canyon and the Colorado River. His next adventure will be to walk the whole stretch of Route 66 which is 2,280 miles.

For his recent efforts Larry received the Grand Canyon Virtual Conquerors Challenge Medal. Congrats Larry!



More information on these challenges can be found online:
www.theconqueror.events/grandcanyon/
www.theconqueror.event/route66/

Ready to Quit Smoking in 2022?



Reach out today for resources:

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